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# Office Action Summary

**Application No.**

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**Applicant(s)**

LIN ET AL.

**Examiner**

SUNIL CHACKO

**Art Unit**

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**Status**

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 08 September 2009.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

**Disposition of Claims**

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 6-8 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 6-8 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

**Application Papers**

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

**Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119**

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

**Attachment(s)**

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/C)
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)  
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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Response to Arguments***

1. Applicant's Amended Appeal Brief, filed September 08, 2009 has been entered and carefully considered. Claims 6-8 are pending.
2. Rejections of Claims 6-8 are rejected under U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Carter et al (WO # 01/20472) in view of Hamzy (Patent # 6,623,527) are withdrawn because the applicants' remarks filed on September 08, 2009 have been considered and are persuasive and, therefore, the finality of that action is withdrawn.
3. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 6-8 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103***

4. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.
5. The factual inquiries set forth in *Graham v. John Deere Co.*, 383 U.S. 1, 148 USPQ 459 (1966), that are applied for establishing a background for determining obviousness under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) are summarized as follows:
  1. Determining the scope and contents of the prior art.
  2. Ascertaining the differences between the prior art and the claims at issue.

3. Resolving the level of ordinary skill in the pertinent art.
  4. Considering objective evidence present in the application indicating obviousness or nonobviousness.
6. Claims 6-8 are rejected under U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Lodwick (Patent # 6,978,299 B1) in view of Parry (US Application #2003/0086124 A1)

As to Claim 6,

Lodwick teaches *a network printer connected to a network for printing a document in the Internet by a user, comprising:* (Lodwick teaches *a apparatus that enables a user to obtain print jobs over a communication network, see column 3 lines 1-7)*

- *a keypad unit for inputting a number from the user;* (Lodwick teaches a keypad is used for inputting a PIN to select a particular print job, see column 4 lines 7-13)
- *first retrieve means for sending said inputted number via Internet to a first server, which translates said number into the information of receiving a document* (Lodwick teaches a keypad that is used for inputting a PIN to select a particular print job, see column 4 lines 7-13. The PIN can be used to access a print job from the spooling server, see column 4 lines 7-10. )
- *print means for printing said received document.* (Lodwick teaches a printer, see column 3 lines 18-20)

Lodwick does not explicitly teach that the first server *translates said number into the information of receiving a document from a second server via Internet and sends said information to said printer, and for receiving said information;* *second retrieve means*

*for, according to said received information, retrieving said document from said second server via Internet;*

However, Parry teaches a method and system for distributing and printing facsimiles. Parry teaches a facsimile distribution center, which read on a first server, that receives a facsimile notification, see abstract. The Distribution center notifies the web printer of a URL where the facsimile can be retrieved and printed, see paragraph 18. It would have been obvious to one skilled in the art at the time of invention to combine Lodwick's Forwarding Print system in view of Parry system for transmitting and printing facsimile because the addition of the distribution center provides the system with increased security.

*As to Claim 7 (which depends on Claim 6)*

Lodwick in view of Parry teaches the *network printer*,

- *said information of receiving a document from a second server via Internet is at URL format, (Parry teaches that the web printer access a facsimile print job through a URL link, see paragraph 18)*

*As to Claim 8 (which depends on Claim 6)*

Lodwick in view of Parry teaches the *network printer*

- *wherein said information of receiving a document from a second server via Internet further includes the title of said document, and said network printer*

*further comprising: a display unit for displaying the title of said document, and prompting the user for confirmation before printing said document.* (Lodwick teaches a visual interface, which is able to identify the print job by file name. This allows the user to confirm that the document being printed is correct, see column 5 lines 7-13)

### ***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to SUNIL CHACKO whose telephone number is (571)270-7221. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thurs 8AM-6PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Benny Q. Tieu can be reached on 571-272-7490. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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